Introduced by Senator Kehoe

February 23, 2006

An act to amend Sections 4003 and 4053 of, and to add Sections 3807 and 3969 of the Food and Agricultural Code, relating to agriculture.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SB 1551, as introduced, Kehoe. 22nd District Agricultural Association: pilot program.

Existing law provides for the creation of district agricultural associations for the purpose of holding fairs and exhibitions with a view toward improving, exploiting, encouraging, and stimulating the industries and industrial enterprises, resources and products of the state, and constructing, maintaining, and operating recreational and cultural facilities of general public interest.

This bill would require the Department of Food and Agriculture to work with the board of directors of the 22nd District Agricultural Association to develop a pilot program to restructure the association, as specified.

This bill would also make other, technical, nonsubstantive, and clarifying changes.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes. State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

- 1 SECTION 1. Section 3807 is added to the Food and
- 2 Agricultural Code, to read:
- 3 3807. "Secretary" means the Secretary of Food and
- 4 Agriculture.

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SEC. 2. Section 3969 is added to the Food and Agricultural Code, to read:

3969. The Department of Food and Agriculture shall work with the board of directors of the 22nd District Agricultural Association to develop a pilot program to restructure the association in a way that allows it increased flexibility to better provide for its staff, enables it to operate in a more self-sufficient manner, removes impediments to its ability to operate in a competitive manner, and preserves the Memorandum of Understanding between the association and the cities of Del Mar and Solana Beach.

SEC. 3. Section 4003 of the Food and Agricultural Code is amended to read:

4003. Any money—which that is not expended within three years after being paid into the Fair and Exposition Fund pursuant to Section 4002 shall be added to and become a part of the amount available pursuant to Section 19630 of the Business and Professions Code for permanent improvements upon the property of the state, citrus, county, or district agricultural associations for fair purposes, or the purchase of equipment for fair purposes, or the acquisition or purchase of real property, including costs of appraisal or other incidental costs, to be used as sites for such permanent improvements, in—such amounts—as may be allocated by executive order of the—Director—of Secretary of Food and Agriculture.

SEC. 4. Section 4053 of the Food and Agricultural Code is amended to read:

4053. The Director Secretary of Food and Agriculture may make available for the use of any association any property of the state which that is suitable for the purposes of the association and which that has been obtained by the state by gift from any county or city, or otherwise, without cost to the state.